

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

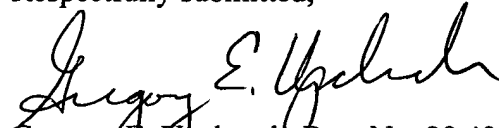
Applicant hereby elects claims 1-21, without traverse. Claims 22-26 are withdrawn.

Applicant respectfully notes that claims 24-26 have previously been allowed in this case in the Office action mailed 01/13/2005. Claims 24-26 will be the subject of a forthcoming Continuation application.

In view of the above, all the rejections and objections are overcome and the case is in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request that a Notice of Allowance of claims 1-16 and 18-21 (all of the claims that are pending and not withdrawn in this case) be issued.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge deposit account #08-3460 for any additional fees required.

Respectfully submitted,



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